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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, first agenda item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the first item is LB 752, which is a bill introduced by Senator Chambers. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time January 17 of last year, referred to the Judiciary Committee. That committee reported the bill to General File where it was under consideration yesterday. At that time, an amendment was offered by Senator Chambers. An amendment to that was offered by Senator Beutler. The Beutler amendment was AM2486. Based on discussions late yesterday morning and this morning, I understand, Senator Beutler, that the issue is to be divided and the first division is to be Section 1, which basically says strike Section 2. Is that correct?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Clerk, if we could switch it around the other way, that would be my preference.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Okay, so you want to go with the balance of the amendment to be considered first, which is basically lines 2 through 10.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

ASSISTANT CLERK: And that will be identified on the Chamber system as FA844 then. (Legislative Journal page 564.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, you're recognized to open on that amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, just to return you to the discussion we were in the process of discussing yesterday, you may recall, the whole question of a jailhouse informer and under what circumstances such an informer would be allowed to testify at a trial against a defendant. And in that process, we identified several aspects of it. With regard to the specific amendment that's in front of you at the moment, there are really two parts of it. One part of it dealt